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each of the gates of the N transistors is connected to said second bypass control voltage applying terminal via a resistance.

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18. (Amended) A radio communication apparatus as claimed in claim 16,

wherein a source of said signal amplifying transistor is grounded via a capacitance; and

said control means includes:

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a plurality of bias current controlling transistors whose drains are each connected to the source of said signal amplifying transistor and whose gates are connected to a plurality of drain bias current control voltage applying terminals via resistances; and

a plurality of self-bias resistances, each having one end connected to one of the sources of said plurality of bias current controlling transistors, and each having another end connected to a reference potential.

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract, as shown in Appendix II. The abstract as amended is shown as follows:

An amplifier circuit unit including a signal amplifying transistor is provided with a first bypass circuit unit for bypassing a part of an input signal to a ground side according to the strength of the input signal and a second bypass circuit unit for bypassing a part of the input signal to an output side according to the strength of the input signal, whereby gain attenuation control is effected. Also, the amplifier circuit

unit is provided with a control circuit unit for decreasing the drain bias current of the signal amplifying transistor when the first bypass circuit unit bypasses the part of the input signal to the ground side and interrupting the drain bias current of the signal amplifying transistor when the second bypass circuit unit bypasses the part of the input signal to the output side, whereby control of the drain bias current is effected.